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REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claim 21 has been amended to refer to the particular fragment for detection as well as clarify the particular template contemplated by the invention..

Claim 49 has been amended to clarify the language used to describe the patient benefit received by monitoring of HAS isoenzyme variants, as well as clarifying the particular variant monitor, specifically isoenzyme variant HAS1Va.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. The Examiner is hereby requested to enter these amendments.

Applicants submit that all claim amendments presented herein or previously are made solely in the interest of expediting allowance of the claims and should not be interpreted as acquiescence to any rejections or ground of unpatentability. Applicants reserve the right to file at least one continuing application to pursue any subject matter that is canceled or removed from prosecution due to the amendments.